

The Life of John Evans



Services for John Evans, 65, of Lake Benton, Minnesota and formerly of Conde will be 10:30 a.m., Monday, March 16 at the United Methodist Church, Conde. The Rev. Matt Richards will officiate. Burial will follow in Conde City Cemetery.

John died March 11, 2015 at Pipestone Hospice House in Pipestone, Minn.

John Michael was born on December 30, 1949 in Sioux Falls. He was raised in Conde with his parents, Layle and Marlyce (Mathieu) Evans. He attended school in Brentford and graduated in 1968 from Northwestern High School in Northville. John was united in marriage with Julie Kolb on July 12, 1968 in Ferney and they were blessed with two daughters, Kim & Teresa. On September 25, 1976 he married Scarlet Switzenberg and they had a son, Cody. The family made their home in Conde and John worked in sales for Harry Implement for 27 years. Scarlet passed away in 2006. He married Peggy Gorter in Luverne, Minnesota on November 11, 2011 and together they made their home

at Lake Benton. After retiring in July of 2014, John enjoyed riding his golf cart at the lake and was affectionately named "official tour guide."

John was a member of the United Methodist Church in Conde. He was an avid Green Bay Packers fan. John was also active in softball and had served as President and Commissioner of the SDASA. He was inducted into the Softball Hall of Fame in 1999.

Celebrating his life is his wife, Peggy of Lake Benton, his parents, Layle and Delores Evans of Mellette, his children, Kim (Gary) Langerock of Watertown, Teresa (Don) Rowland of Watertown, Cody Evans of Conde, Andrea Gorter of Sioux Falls and Keith (Anna) Gorter of Sioux Falls, five grandchildren: Jessica (Sheldon) Foster, Tyler Rowland, Jackson, McKenzie and Jacob Gorter, his siblings, Rod (Vicki) Evans of Aberdeen, Larry (Karen) Evans of Frankfort, Fran Hoeft of Aberdeen, Dianne (Jeff) Lee of Aberdeen and a half-sister, Anne Sohikian of California.

Preceding him in death was his mother, Marlyce, his wife, Scarlet and sister, Pat Schmidt.

Honorary Casketbearers will be Jessica Foster, Tyler Rowland, Andrea Gorter, Keith Gorter, Travis Pederson, Richard Halvorson, Jim Christman, Lannie Mielke, Joe Henjum, Bruce Herman, Johnny Toft, Doug Eeten.

Casketbearers will be Steve Harry, Gary Gorter, Joe Harry, Gary Harrington, Neil Vig, Dave Huber, Don Hearnen, Glen Eeten.